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In response to the Restriction Requirement mailed September 24, 2003, without acquiescing to the statements made therein, Applicants hereby elect without transverse Group I, claims 1 - 8 and 19 - 27, for prosecution in this application.

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